The Second part of the Discovery of

THIEVES;

Or a-fare Warning for

HOVSE-KEEPERS,

And all

TRAVELLERS.

Being a Discovery of all sort of *Thieves* and *Robbers* which go under these Titles;

The Horse-Padd,
The Foot-Padd,
The Prigger of Prancers and the Dunneker,
The Huff or Hector,
The Buttock and Foyl,
The Stroler,
The Nightwalker.

With Directions how to Prevent them.

Also an exact Description of every one of their Practices.

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Reader,

Having writ a Sheet of the diſcovery of Thieves which were called Gilters, Mill, Glaſier, Budg, Snudg, File, Bulk, Lifter, Tongue-Padder, Private-Thief; *Which hath given ſuch ſatisfaction, that I was deſired to write another Sheet, which I hope will be as well accepted by all that bear honeſt minds; as for the Thieves let them take warning by the miſerable Ends of all Thieves.*

The firſt ſort of Thieves which is called a Horſe-Padd.

A *Horſe-Padd* is called by that name, becauſe he always goes upon his deſign well provided with Horſe and Armor ſutable for his purpoſe, (there are abundance of theſe) and what houſes they frequent, they are very free and ſpend high, ſo by that means they are very welcom to their Inns, let them come in at what hour they will, and if they deſire to be private, there's none that ſhall know of their being in the Houſe; and if there chance to be any *Hew and Cry* after them, *they are as ſafe as a Thief in a Mill*: They are very Liberal to the Hoſtler, who is very greedy of Money, and loves ſuch Gueſt as gives him moſt; ſo that for want of a *Tongue-Padder* at every Inn, they make uſe of the Hoſtler if the Inn-keeper be not for their turn. Sometimes the Chamberlain does furniſh them with a ſtory or two that pleaſes them very well, that is telling them ſuch and ſuch Gueſts are in the houſe that have a great charge of Money with them and they will be gone very early in the Morning, or that there is one that hath a Portmantle well lined, but he is very miſerable and tis pity ſuch a one ſhould have ſo much and free-hearts want. Theſe Horſe-Padds very ſeldom ſet upon any but where they have Intelligence.

To prevent the Horſe-Padd *when you go a journey and have a charge with you.*

Your beſt way is to take the beſt Inn in the Town, but not to have too much confidence in any of the Servants, neither to ſeem too ſhy of them; if they be very inquiſitive into your

Journey,

Journey, let them not know how far you are a going, nor what time you will be going in the morning. Thoſe Houſes which are to be ſuſpected, will commonly be talking of the great Robbing there is upon the Road, and what a great gang of *Highway Men* was ſeen upon the Road: So that if there chance to be three or four of you, it will cauſe you to keep cloſe together which makes very well for the Horſe-Padd, for by that means you are incloſed on every ſide, therefore ride a good diſtance one from another; by that means they will be afraid to ſet upon you for fear of the Country being raiſed upon them. *The manner of thoſe that go upon the* Foot-Padd,

Are a ſort of Thieves that are very poor, and have not any ſtore of Money as the Horſe-Padd hath, ſo the Foot-padd is ſooner taken, and more of them hanged in a year, then in ſeven years of the other. There is in a gang of theſe ſomtimes four or five, and it may be but one that hath a Piſtol, which they call a *Popper*, the reſt have great Trunchions; ſo they ſet one within call to give them a *watch-word* or a *whiſtle*, which they perform, that they may be heard a great way; they are bold and ſtrong moſt of them, and will ſeize on more then they are, and ſome will run as faſt as an ordinary horſe; their uſual places is within too miles of the City, the time is juſt in the Evening when it is juſt duskiſh, they have no mercy on them that fall into their hands, but ſtrip them ſtark naked and bind them, which they call *Fagetting*, and with threats they will kill them if they offer to call out or ſtirr.

The way to prevent the Foot-Padd, *is*,

To be careful that you travel not juſt in the Evening, you had better lye ſhort, then to go too far and loſe what you have about you, if not your life; it is very good to have a good Dog with you, for they are more afraid of a Dog then four or five Men, they call a dog a *Buffer*; if it be ſo that you hear any whiſtle or ſpeak ſhort as you underſtand them not, make haſt out of

the Path, but as ſoftly as you can, and lye cloſe to the ground and then you will hear their tread and may ſhun them: this is the beſt rule at a Strait. I remember that I was ſet on by one of theſe Foot-Padds which claſped his arms about me, ſaying I muſt have your Togge, which is a Coat; where being ſtartled at the ſudden Onſet, I ſaid you muſt not, nor my Calley neither, which is a Cloak; and ſo ſtruck up his heels, whereupon he gave a whiſtle, and then came running four or five immediately upon me, ſo knowing one that was of the gang, I asked him how he did and how *I. R.* did, who ſaid I juſt parted from him, who ſwore *Dam ye, ye Dog* to his Comrogue? why did you meddle with him, he is one of our Colledg, which is *Newgate*, ſo he gave a whiſtle with his hands, and there came running two Link-boys, ſo he takes one and gives it me to light me home after a few Compliments; ſo I asked him what he did keep the Link-boys for, and he ſaid it was a *Decoy*, ſo I parted from my Collegion.

The Priger of Prancers, *and the* Dunneker.

The *Priger* of *Prancers* are Horſe-ſtealers, the *Dunneker* is Cow-ſtealers, they are commonly acquainted together, for they meet often together at Fairs and Markets: if ſo be they ſteal either, they make all the haſt they can to a Fair, to ſell the Horſes or Cows before the Owner knows that he hath loſt any; they will clap a mark if they fear the Horſe ſhould be well known, and it may be cut his tail if he has a large one, and trime his mane contrary to what he uſes to wear. There is a pretty Story of a Welch-man, that had ſtoln a Cow which had a ſhort tail, which was very remarkable; whereupon the Welch-man got another and ſowed on: The Owner looking well on the Cow, and thinking that it was his own; Which the Welch-man perceived, asked him, What he looked at? Whereupon he ſaid, If this Cow had not had a tail, he ſhould have ſworn that it had been his. But the

Welch-

Welch-man being cunning, took his knife and cut of the Cows tail a little above the place where the falſe tail was, ſaying, Now ſwear it is your Cow if you dare. Therefore if you looſe a Horſe or Cow, look at the Market or Fairs, where you may find them, with the Thieves.

The Huff *or* Hector.

The *Huff* or *Hector* is one that hath been a bold Thief, but has been boacked By being taken, and narrowly eſcaped *nuſing*, which is hanging; which hath been ſome warning to him, ſo that he will not venter his neck; but takes as bad courſes, which is thus: He ſometimes keeps Company with the *Stroler*, and ſometimes with the *Night-walker*. The *Strolers* are ſuch as go from Town to Town, ſell ſome ſmall knacks for Children, Pins and Points, Balls and Rattles, and the like, ſo they go from houſe to houſe, and what they can light on they take, if it be *Margery Prater*, which is a Hen or Puller, or a *gruntin Cheat*, which is a Pig; which they carry to their Rendevous, where the Huffs lye ſtill all day, expecting their *ſtroling-mortes*; But if they find that they cannot maintain them very well, they make haſt up to the City, where they know they ſhall be better maintained by the *Night-walker*. But before I ſpeak of the *Night-walker*, take a Song.

This Song is ſong by moſt Thieves, and they take great delight in it, which might ſerve for a fare Warning to them if they'l take any: Which is this.

THere was three Pilgrims there went
Out of Eſſex *into* Kent,
To take a Purſe was their intent
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh they may do well in their Pilgrimage.
When they came unto Graves-end
There a Tapſter ſtood their Friend
Which unto them Money did lend
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh, &c.

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When they came unto Gadd's-hill
They made a true Man to ſtand ſtill,
And took his Purſe ſore againſt his will
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh they may do well in their Pilgrimage.

When they came unto Billings-gate
There each Man called for his quart
And drank it off with a chearful heart
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh they may, &c.

As they came unto Cannon-ſtreet,
There the Catchpoles they did meet
Which carried them to the Counter *in* Wood-ſtreet,
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh they may do well in their Pilgrimage.

One evening very late
They were carried unto Newgate
Their Bolts and Shackles for to ſhake
In their Pilgrimage,
And I wiſh, &c.

When Size and Seſſions they drew near
Where theſe Pilgrims muſt appear
Before the Bench *with a heavy chear*
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh they may do well, &c.

When Sizes and Seſſions they were paſt
Theſe three Pilgrims they were caſt
And their hands they were tyed faſt
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh, &c.

When St. Pulchers *Bell did tole*
They pray'd for Mercy on their Soul
For they'l drink no more in old Carrinton's *bole*
In their Pilgrimage,
And I wiſh, &c.

As they ſailed up Holbourn-hill
At St. Gyles's *they drank they fill*,!
And at St. Tyborns *they made their will*
In their pilgrimage,
And I wiſh they might do well in their Pilgrimage.

If you ſail up Holbornhill, *caſt Anchor at St.* Gyles's, *then beware of the rocks of* Tyborn.

The manner of the Buttock *and File.*

They uſe alwayes in and about the City, they walk up and down in the night, and the darkeſt nights are beſt for their wicked deſigns; ſo meeting with any Man, they will call him Couſin or by ſome name, and pretend they are glad to have met him; which ſome Men will be as glad of meeting them, but have cauſe to weep at parting; for if the Man does but give them a ſallute, they ſhall hardly leave him ſo, if he hath any Money or any thing that is worth taking, for ſhe will not uſe her *Buttock*, but ſhe will uſe her *File* too, *viz.* Pick your Pocket. Therefore keep your ſelves honeſt, and then you will prevent the *Buttock* and *File*.

The manner of thoſe that are called Night-walkers.

They go very gentile, and their faces are painted, and they have a drawing look; they will, if they ſee a Man that they think will be alluered to their net, uſe their beſt endeavour to do it; they have their Houſes where they ply near hand, and their Hectors there conſtantly waiting on them, ſo that they no ſooner bring in a Man but they convey him upſtairs; ſo having ſet a little they make an excuſe, and tell the Hector what a Cully they have got, and ſo they agree how to get his Money from him; which they perform after divers wayes, and are the ruin of Families ſometimes. There is no better way to prevent theſe, than to keep out of lewd-womens Com-

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pany, nor to be drawn to go and drink with ſuch, as would intice you to go and drink with them.

The manner how one of thoſe *Night-walkers* diſcovered her ſelf to her Bubly Huff in Verſe, of a rich Priſe ſhe had gotten.

SAiling along one night in the Strand,
I boarded a Prize of a rich Merchant Man:
He thought to Tongue-padd me,
But whilſt that we Crackt it,
I dived in his Hold and rifelled and ſackt it;
There was a rum yellow Scoute & ſome pieces of white
With twenty two Negroes coopt all in a ſlight.
All this I did get by his being a ſinner,
I left him no Money to pay for his Dinner.

It was a Watch and twenty two Guinies, beſides Silver that ſhe had got from this Gentleman.

Though he had the loſs and ſhe had the gains,
Yet Tyborn *at laſt will take her for her pains.*

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